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International Woes
Students face a myriad of challenges

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Bringin' down the house

The house on the corner of 5th Ave. and 12th St. is demolished as part of the new Wellness Center construction.

College accredited; concerns expressed

ALAN SIMMER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Wartburg College has received reaccreditation after a visit from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). Wartburg can confer degrees until the next visit in 2016-2017.

A panel of four faculty and administrators from other North Central Association colleges and universities visited campus during the past academic year, meeting with various constituencies and poring over various financial and administrative documents.

'There are anxieties about the Wellness Center.'

The committee's report notes that Campaign Wartburg was highly successful. "Enrollment has increased, there are more faculty members, the curriculum has been strengthened and the facilities are first-rate," the report said.

However, the committee was concerned by the $87 million debt the college carries, which is more than a 75 percent increase since the 2004-2005 school year. The report states that the "expansion of the debt load is perceived as a 'risk,'" and the committee is requiring a follow-up report on the financial state of the college as a whole and the Wellness Center in particular to be delivered in 2010. If the HLC perceives "significant problems" at that time, a focused visit with more intense scrutiny of the college's financial documents may be required.

The reaccreditation team also noted that faculty, staff and the administration still struggle with sharing long-term planning duties.

"Not only are faculty concerned about having an important role in helping to guide the College's future, but there are anxieties about some of the recent direction the college has taken (e.g., the Wellness Center partnership with the local community)," they said.

"As planning processes evolve, campus leaders must make extraordinary efforts to involve the commitment and expertise of faculty and staff in determining the strategic direction of the institution."

Other concerns included a lack of the mission in new marketing materials, coming enrollment management challenges and faculty and staff pay and workload. The college did not fail to meet any core components.

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Dean of students search nets replacement

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Deborah Loers will replace Lex Smith in July as Wartburg's new vice president of student life and dean of students. Loers is currently the dean of student development at Willamette University in Salem, Ore.

Deborah Loers

Loers said she believes colleges like Wartburg contribute a lot to students' lives. "I saw a lot of exciting and positive things when I visited campus, like committed and excited students, faculty and staff and President Ohle's leadership."

According to David McCullough, head of the search committee, Loers' initiatives for bridging the gap between service learning, academics and athletics are the qualities that made her a stand-out candidate.

"This was a national search for a high caliber position, so we had to look for the best people," McCullough said. "We had 80 qualified candidates."

McCullough said bringing the campus together by integrating the academic and athletic aspects of the college is an important part of the position and is vital to the students because of Wartburg's strong athletic and academic departments.

"Students are at a critical stage in transition from high school to college and college to the real world," McCullough said. He said Loers has great communication skills and will be able to connect easily with students, faculty and staff.

Loers believes that cooperative work among different programs on campus not only enhance the different departments but also the students' experiences. She said it is ideal for programs at the college to be seamlessly connected to each other.

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Outlook will replace Webmail in fall

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A new Outlook e-mail system will replace the old Webmail system by the beginning of fall.

Currently, select students and staff are testing the new system to ensure all glitches are taken care of before implementation over the summer. Randon Ruggles is satisfied with the process and feels students will be happy with the interface.

"The nice thing about Outlook is that not only can you receive e-mail through it, but there is also the calendar feature," Ruggles said. "For a student always on the go, it will be nice to have both e-mail and your calendar in the same place."

The new system will provide faculty and staff all the benefits of a full-featured version of Outlook including reminders, calendars and a meeting scheduler.

Gary Wipperman, the director of information technology services (ITS), is optimistic about the change.

"Outlook gives us a more robust interface and hopefully makes using e-mail a more stable experience," Wipperman said.

Although ITS is still working on the conversion of address book contacts into the system, the new Outlook will include a global address book. The book allows access to directory information like Inet with a few clicks.

Another advantage of Outlook is the amount of storage capacity allowed for each user. The current Webmail system has difficulty attaching and sending larger files. The allotted space for each user on Outlook has not yet been determined. However, Wipperman says it will be a practical and functional amount.

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Edwards to make campus campaign stop

First in the Nation Project falls on move-out weekend

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Democratic presidential candidate John Edwards will visit Wartburg Saturday evening in the Heritage Ballrooms. The event is part of the First in the Nation Project, an interdisciplinary collaboration between Wartburg and Franklin Pierce College in Rindge, N.H.

John Edwards

Penni Pier, associate professor of communication arts and Fred Waldstein, professor of political science, are in charge of the program.

One concern about Edwards' visit is that all students not involved in graduation have to check out of their rooms on Friday. Pier said students will not be able to stay without paying because the administration was not given enough notice.

"Unfortunately the date falls where it does, but we would rather have the event than not," Pier said. She said that students who will be around are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity.

Although Pier is uncertain when another candidate will come to Wartburg, she hopes Edwards' visit will encourage other presidential candidates to come to the college. Pier said she hopes to have many candidates from both parties come.

"We're hoping that once Edwards comes, others will want to come," Pier said.

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Regional Finish
Softball claims 2nd

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Wellness Center
Catch up with the construction

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Student Senate restructures

Reduced number of senators will represent students on a 'hall level;' new handbook will be written

LAURA GREVAS *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

Student Senate is restructuring for the 2007-2008 school year to improve communication with students and the residential life department.

The number of senators and how they are distributed will be changed, and a handbook will be added.

"Our campus has changed, and the way we represented students needed to be looked at," Travis Bockenstedt, administrative ombudsperson for Student Senate, said.

The focus is on integrating Senate into a hall council so senators can be more directly involved in planning building activities and addressing issues.

"Because a lot of the issues we deal with in Senate come from residential issues, we think we should work with them more," Bockenstedt said.

The number of senators will be reduced from roughly 50 to 40. Bockenstedt said the hope is that having fewer senators will make the senators more accountable and directly involved.

Senators will still live in the residence halls they represent, but instead of having a senator officially assigned to each floor, the senators will work together to represent the whole hall. The newly created position of hall chair will oversee the implementation of the new initiative and foster cooperation between the senators in their respective residence halls, Bockenstedt said.

"They're minor changes," he said. "We're not taking away floor representation."

"Our hope is that it gives students a voice when Student Senate represents them at a hall level," Pete Armstrong, the director of residential life, said of the student-led initiative. He added that he hopes Senate and hall council will be able to avoid duplication or miscommunication among themselves and use this new set up as a way to accomplish more positive things in the halls.

Bockenstedt said another new arrival will be that of a Senate handbook. Student body president Eric Benson has been working to develop the book, which should provide more specifics on holding senators accountable to students than have past versions.

The stipulations of the structural changes will be reviewed by the Senate at the school year's end to determine whether they should be implemented permanently.

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Courier editor joins Wartburg staff

Shapiro will serve as chief communications officer

PAM RODGERS *ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR*

Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier Editor Saul Shapiro will join the staff next year as chief communications officer and assistant vice president for advancement.

After 30 years in the newspaper profession, including 24 years at the Courier, Shapiro is leaving the newsroom for the classroom. He said he felt it was time for a switch.

Saul Shapiro

"That was long enough, but the transition had to be right," Shapiro said.

Shapiro's responsibilities at Wartburg will include helping coordinate the college's communication and marketing efforts and most likely teaching some journalism classes.

Shapiro, who has been involved with Wartburg for a few years, is looking forward to his start in the academic world.

"I have an appreciation of the college's mission," Shapiro said. He is also no stranger to working with some of the students.

"Some of our best hires at the Courier have been Wartburg grads, an indication of the quality of students and their potential growth," Shapiro said.

He hopes to expand the college's already outstanding reputation not only in the Cedar Valley, but also across the state and Upper Midwest.

Shapiro was the fourth chair of Wartburg's communication arts Advisory Board for six years and was on the President's Advisory Council for four years.

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Wartburg ranks high in study abroad survey

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The Open Doors Report on International Educational Exchange has named Wartburg as the school with the 20th highest percentage of undergraduate study abroad students in the nation for the 2004-2005 academic year.

According to the study, 75.7% of students at Wartburg study abroad. This amounts to 262 students when compared to a graduating class of 346.

Joyce Boss, co-director of Global and Multicultural Studies (GMCS), was surprised by the ranking.

"We didn't know about this at all until it came out," Boss said.

Edie Waldstein, vice president for enrollment management, was pleased with the news.

"It's the first time we made [the list,] which is good," Waldstein said. "It means we have more students studying abroad than before. It's a reflection of our commitment to international education."

Waldstein said that the numbers include anyone participating in a class where part or all of the course is abroad.

"At GMCS, we want to make sure that all students who are eligible for and interested in studying abroad have the opportunity to do so," Boss said. "We'd like to see an increase in the number of students participating in Venture Education and off-campus May Term courses."

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Ketchup killer

Lalaina Rabary slides through condiments at the Food Olympics earlier this month.

KnightNet connects past Wartburg grads

Alumni Web site emulates social connections of Facebook

KRISTA PAAPE *GUEST WRITER*

As the popularity of the Web sites Facebook and MySpace continue to rise, Wartburg has developed its own social networking site called KnightNet. The site gives people affiliated with Wartburg the opportunity to stay connected with their Wartburg roots.

"Our first goal is to get people together in the name of Wartburg, whether it's on campus or online," Todd Coleman, director of alumni and parent programs, said.

KnightNet gives people the opportunity to create their own profile page, giving others the ability to see where they are now and keep in contact. Because KnightNet is a private network, users are allowed to decide what information goes into their profile.

"We know that our constituents are concerned about privacy on the Internet and KnightNet allows the user to determine their individual level of privacy," Coleman said.

KnightNet is currently open to alumni, faculty and staff. The site may be available to current students in the fall.

"We hope it is a natural progression for students to transfer into this," Coleman said.

KnightNet is sponsored by Affinity Engines and inCircle, which is the company's host network. Roughly 70 schools use this company for their social networking sites.

Alumni will be sent an e-mail or a postcard requesting them to join the KnightNet network. Anyone interested in learning more about KnightNet can log on to http://www.affinitycircles.com or contact Coleman at Ext. 8491.

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Unique Antiques

Bob Ingles reviews one of the dozens of antique cars displayed outside the Saeman Student Center as part of the "Keep on Learning" series that continues through Thursday.

Sexual assaults on campus decrease

Most reports alcohol-related and usually occur from move-in to first break

KRISTA RAND *GUEST WRITER*

Sexual assault crimes on campus have decreased, according to security reports.

According to John Myers, the director of campus security and safety, three incidences were reported in 2006 compared to seven in 2005. The incidences were either on campus or occurred on campus-controlled property.

Myers said if a student is sexually assaulted on a college-affiliated trip or when studying abroad, although not added to statistics for the year, it will be noted in security reports.

Myers said it is rare for reports to come directly to the security office. Many go to hall directors, residence assistants, professors, and counseling services.

Those people then tell the security office how many reports they received for the year. No other information about the situation is released unless the victim wants to take the matter further.

According to Stephanie Newsom, Wartburg's director of counseling services and SMART team adviser, college womens' highest risk of sexual assault is from move-in day to the first break.

Newsom also said 96 percent of all sexual assault reports she receives are alcohol-related.

Newsom said that the alcohol does not cause the assault, but it certainly pushes it along.

"Many victims don't recognize that they have even been sexually assaulted due to lack of proper education," Newsom said.

Programs such as SMART were designed to assist with educating Wartburg students about sexual misconduct and helping them develop risk-reduction techniques in such situations.

Newsom said she prefers the term risk reduction over prevention because she says people can't necessarily prevent someone from assaulting them. She said one method for risk reduction is to alert friends to one's plans and then to follow them.

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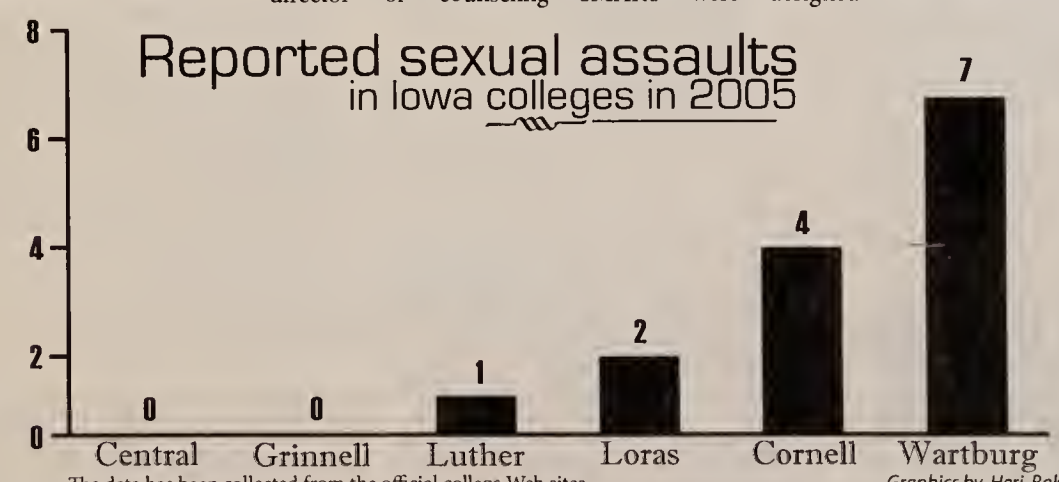

The data has been collected from the official college Web sites.

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MySafeCampus receives three incident reports

Unsolved incidents include theft, cheating and vacation time queries

SNEHA PRADHAN *NEWS EDITOR*

Wartburg has received three anonymous reports of incidents on campus through MySafeCampus since fall. The reports include monetary theft in dining services, cheating in class and a question regarding appropriate vacation time for staff members.

The director of campus security and safety, John Myers, is unsure how to interpret those numbers.

"I can't say that's good or bad. Three to some people may mean they don't have any problems. Three may mean that people don't trust the system," Myers said.

Myers feels people are afraid that even though they give information anonymously, it will get back to them.

"I am confident that if you make an anonymous complaint, it will remain anonymous," he said.

"We're not necessarily disappointed in the number; we just don't know if that is representative of educating the campus and encouraging people to use it," Vice President of Administration Gary Grace said.

"We don't want to have 10 or 20 [reports] every week. That would be tough to follow up on. But, we do want to make sure that people have a legitimate

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Local Briefs

Roiseland in South Korea

Kevin Roiseland, director of international student programs, left May 12 for South Korea as part of Rotary International exchange program. Roiseland was chosen alongside four other Northeast Iowan professionals for the trip. He returns in June.

Retiring faculty, staff to be honored

Retirees will be honored at the Faculty and Staff Recognition Convocation at 11 a.m. Friday in the McCaskey Lyceum. Five faculty and staff members will be honored for retirement, while 34 others will celebrate their tenth to forty-fifth anniversaries with the college.

Graduation ceremonies next Sunday

Wartburg's 155th commencement ceremony will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in Walston-Hoover Stadium. More than 300 students will graduate this year. The Baccalaureate will be held that day at 9:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

Keeping on learning with antique cars

Wartburg and Waverly community members will have one more chance to view some old-fashioned vehicles. The latest installment of the "Keep on Learning" Series, "Antique Cars and the Development of Transportation," will conclude its 2006-07 series from 9:30 to 11:30 Thursday in the Heritage Room of the Saemann Student Center.

Municipal band to host rehearsal

The Greater Waverly Municipal Band will hold its first rehearsal at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, in the Band Room of the Bachman Fine Arts Center. The band is open to anyone of high school age or older, and auditions are not required.

Instructor writes book on knitting for children

CHELSEA DELONG *STAFF WRITER*

Business instructor Karen Thalacker has written a children's book on knitting.

"Knitting with Gigi" is the first of what Thalacker hopes will be a series of knitting how-to books for kids. Thalacker is a Wartburg alumna and said she learned to knit during her senior year.

"Knitting is fun," she said. "It's fun to see the reactions of kids. They really do get excited about knitting." The book is aimed at ages six and up, but Thalacker says adults can use it too.

She says knitting is a good pasttime for kids because it teaches patterns and math skills.

"Kids like to do things with their hands. If you give them an opportunity to do something like this, they'll love it," she said.

She decided to write "Knitting with Gigi" when she started teaching large groups of children to knit. She says she needed a simple instruction book, but could not find one. She began writing the book in 2004 and modeled Gigi, the main character, after her daughter.

Thalacker thinks the attraction of the book will be its simplicity. She says the book features only simple stitches, projects and requires only minimal supplies. The projects include hats, scarves and purses.

The Wartburg community has been very involved with the publicity of her book. The corresponding Web site,www.gigiknits.com, was designed by two Wartburg students and the campus bookstore will begin selling "Knitting with Gigi" after its release today.

The book and Web site emphasize the importance of knitting for charities. Gigi's Knitting Corps has recently been established as a local knitting charity with Thalacker as the head.

"My favorite part of knitting is giving [things] away," she said. "Your talent is no good unless you use it to help other people."

"Knitting with Gigi" is being sold as both a hardcover book and a kit. The kit includes a paperback book, two skeins of yarn and needles.

Prices are $16.95 for the book and $24.95 for the kit, which will be available at hobby stores, Barnes and Noble and the bookstore.

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Editorial

Students ultimate force of change on campus

Student Senate has announced an initiative that would hold senators more accountable for students' needs.

While senate should be commended on their efforts to improve communication with students and residential life staff, only time will tell whether the initiative will provide the magic bullet needed to jolt students out of their apathy and empty complaints.

Unfortunately for all parties, very little real change can be affected if students do not take their complaints to the appropriate people and lobby persistently for real change.

Students often complain among themselves about everything from food to costs to policies. But senators are not contacted. Senate meetings go unattended and bulletin boards go unread. Many students step down after weak efforts for change, either because they feel their efforts are futile, or they don't want the hassle of endless arguments with those in authority.

In the end, such initiatives to get students more involved in their own fate will only work as far as the students want them to. Wartburg senators and United States senators have the same driving force: Senators are the few, representing the many.

If students don't use that representation, senators are left without a meaningful job, students are left without a voice, and our campus is left without an impetus for improvement.

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Letters to the Editor

Education about more than just dollars and cents

I am writing regarding the March 20 Trumpet coverage of the announced increase in the cost to attend Wartburg. No student or parent wants a cost increase. However, [writer Alan] Simmer's singular focus on the percentage of the increase is improperly commoditizing education and ignores the equally important and offsetting issue of the value added by the overall Wartburg experience.

If education is characterized as a commodity where one item is pretty much like any other of the same type then comparisons between schools are simple — the lowest price prevails. No need to look further.

This is how we choose where to buy gasoline, not where to go to college. Selecting a college involves a rigorous in-depth evaluation.

The difficult responsibility of the Regents and President Ohle is to effectively determine the priority and emphasis each attribute should be assigned and to optimize the application of resources to attract the desired type of students. As reflected in the outstanding quality of the student body, this is a task they appear to take with appropriate seriousness and concern.

The process current students use to select Wartburg is directly correlated to this and future cost actions. By selecting Wartburg over other schools, you have provided direct input for what you and your parents consider important and necessary elements of a college. Your choices help set the agenda.

The Wartburg Regents and President Ohle have shown outstanding stewardship through the years and continue to win my support as superior managers of scarce resources.

Jim Loveridge '69

Wartburg students honest, full of integrity

A wonderfully honest Wartburg student returned my lost billfold to the Information desk. This is typical of how great Wartburg students are. I have no idea where they found it, but my Wartburg ID was in it and that was all they needed. I am eternally grateful! Thank you... whoever you are!

Barbara Bishop, Retired

Lavigne cusses her way to top of charts

LAURA GREVAS *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

"Hey, hey! You, you! I wanna be your girlfriend!" Oh, sorry, not you.

Well, at least I don't think so. It's hard to tell with Avril Lavigne's latest offering running through my head.

It wouldn't be so bad that the song is atrociously overplayed if it weren't for that catchy melody that haunts you long after you change radio stations.

Years ago, Lavigne was hailed as a role model for girls everywhere because she was able to belt out the punky-fun tunes without baring her midriff. Even so, I guess I was expecting her to emerge from her recent marriage as a kinder, gentler, more mature Avril.

I guessed wrong.

The pseudo-angry lyrics that stick out most in my head are "Hell yeah, I'm the motherf***ing princess!" Lovely. She goes on to dis on this on this poor guy's hypothetical girlfriend. "She's so stupid, what the hell were you thinking?" Maybe he was thinking that your song is the reason some people want an end to free speech. I'm just guessing.

I'm reading way too much into this, but I wouldn't mind seeing a singer whose music matured with her life.

I'd take that over a song that could be the battle anthem for disgruntled junior high girls who would beat up the object of their jealousy on the playground without a second thought.

Sorry Avril, for now I really don't want to be your girlfriend. Or the girlfriend of anyone who owns a radio.

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Administration's reputation helps spread campus censorship rumors

ALAN SIMMER *ASSOCIATE EDITOR*

Hey, have you heard? President Ohle ordered the removal of the previous issue of the Trumpet from all the stands on campus earlier this month because I printed his salary in my last column!

Only one problem: It isn't true, as far as I can tell. An unfortunate series of misunderstandings and coincidental occurrences generated the juicy rumor around campus, from what information I could gather.

"Collegepresidentyanks newspapers; First Amendment jeopardized by censorship," the film noir headlines would have screamed.

But really, what person in their right mind would remove or order the removal of what were then month-old issues, especially with the material easily accessible online? I think we all give our administrators a little more credit than that.

Or do we?

If I said Bill Clinton was having an affair with a girl 20 years his junior or President Bush lied about some war-related matter, most people wouldn't bat an eyelash.

Now strike that, and reverse it. I hope my crediblity would be instantly under fire.

A hypothesis, then: The campus community was loathe to completely cast aside the rumor because faculty, staff, and students think a flagrant act like that is not entirely outside the character of the administration based on their past actions.

When a group of faculty wished to speak with the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) accreditation committee, they requested a meeting time through the president's office. The request and a subsequent letter outlining the faculty's concerns were only delivered after a meeting had been arranged through a serendipitous encounter with a member of the committee.

A great number of the faculty, staff and students on campus felt — and I believe still feel — excluded from the decision-making process on campus, especially regarding the new Wellness Center.

When I asked the president about some of the financial fears I had heard around campus quite some time ago, I was given an explanation that some people always assume the worst and we weren't going to go down that road.

Well, I hate to break it to him, but the HLC report has validated some of those very worries. A panel of unbiased, rational people were so alarmed by the Wellness Center project that they are requiring a report to be submitted in 2010 about its financial progress.

The administration has lost enough trust and excluded enough groups aroud campus — intentionally or not — that people are willing to believe they'd go as far as to confiscate issues of the campus newspaper.

Contrary to what it appears they believe, everyone is not out to get the administration or make the college look worse. We are genuinely concerned about this institution.

No one wants to see the college bankrupted, and I don't think many foresee that eventuality. But shouldn't we have an open dialogue about what happens if the rosiest picture isn't what we end up with? Ignoring this or any issue, as shown by the HLC report, will not make it go away.

It's time the administration acknowledged they are not the only ones with a stake in Wartburg's future.

Let faculty, staff and students in. We're just here to help.

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International students face various challenges

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NEWS EDITOR

After two days of travel to the other side of the world with hopes of an education, Prateek Shrestha landed in the United States alone. He had two suitcases and just enough money to pay the tuition for his first semester.

After a few hours of sleep and a cup of Ramen noodles, Shrestha, who had never had to pick up a dust rag in his life, started to sweep, mop and clean restrooms for the maintenance department. People back home in Nepal would tease him for doing such a job, but he knows it's what he must do.

Nearly three years of adjusting to being away from family, speaking and writing American English, being kicked out of dorms during breaks and having limited scholarships make it quite a struggle.

"Since tuition is increasing every year, it is becoming harder for me to pay expenses. So I'm working extra hours and my brother is also helping. I work at three places, on and off-campus, but even that is not enough to cover my college expenses," Shrestha said.

"When you apply for a work permit you have to pay about $200, and still you are not sure you will get it. You cannot apply for any of the scholarships, so in a way there has been limitation imposed to international students."

Wartburg has more than 80 international students who share similar stories. They cannot sign loans without an American co-signer and they have to come up with the money each semester, even if they have scholarships.

Some have tried to reduce their expenses by applying for off-campus housing, but have been denied because Wartburg is a residential campus and they are expected to live on-campus.

Kevin Roiseland, director of international student programs, said the administration is responsive to the situations of individual students when it comes to finances.

"Financial decisions are made at the time of admission," Roiseland said. "The student knows what to expect at that time and it can change with a high-performance scholarship, but it's very hard to get that changed. It just doesn't happen because if you do it for one, you would be treating everybody else unfairly."

Roiseland said making American friends is one of the most common problems international students face. They have to make the effort to make new friends even though the Americans, who are the hosts and representatives of the U.S., should be doing so.

"It should be a matter of hospitality, but since individuality is so important in the American mind, we don't see ourselves as having to be a representative or being a host," he said.

However, at least 15 American students are working with six internationals who have difficulty with English.

"I think that we're really lucky at Wartburg to have so many students from so many different backgrounds. I don't hang out with them only because they're international students, they're regular people too," Brianna Zeigler said. "They also come from places that have very different lifestyles. They're all so nice and it's so fun to learn from each other."

Courtesy Photo

International and American students gather around a bonfire at a Den-Rittersaal staff party.

As far as having difficulties with international students, Zeigler says she has small arguments like "fighting over the correct way to say 'hippopotamus'" or their being blunt and saying "you don't look good today," which would be considered rude by Americans.

Some international students say a division exists between them and the Americans because people feel comfortable with those in a similar situation. Although some effort is made by both sides, international students think the interaction level can be improved.

"Some international students want to concentrate on studying or congregating with their own people from the same countries, so they have nothing to do with the Americans. They don't even want to talk or engage in any kind of activities," Vietnamese student Dao Tung said.

"On the other hand, the Americans understand that wherever they go, they will see international students, so why do they have to try to interact with strange people on their own land?"

International students sense that American students feel uncomfortable talking with them. Dalbir Kour of India says the classroom is a prime example. She said unless a professor assigns groups, American students will not include internationals.

"If you're the only international student in the class, you obviously feel alone because no American student will come and sit next to you," Kour said. "Maybe they think we don't know English or maybe they want to talk to us, but because of hesitation they don't do that."

Some professors have had a positive impact on international students. "Professors want us here," said Goerkem Yesilnur of Germany.

Vaidehi Agarwal of India says very few American students make the effort to approach her. "Many students consider international students as very different and they choose not to give them the opportunity to integrate," she said.

Zeigler, who spent time in India as an exchange student, expressed concerns about how Americans perceive international students.

"I think it's important for people to know that it does take time to understand and be able to communicate like you would with your American friends," she said. "But once you really get to know people it's rewarding."

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CD review

Page France plays mellow; Monkeys wow with "Nightmare"-ish effort

★★★½☆

Page France
...And the Family Telephone

CHRIS LAMBERTZ *STAFF WRITER*

Page France is a young, up-and-coming quartet hailing from Baltimore. They have quickly wowed the college/indie music scene in the three years since the band's formation. Their breezy, earnest sound has earned them comparisons to Jeff Tweedy and Bright Eyes.

The band's third release, *...And the Family Telephone*, shows great maturity from their earlier efforts. Toe-tapping songs such as "Wet Dog Afternoon" show the band's lighter, more free-flowing side, and songs like "Pigeons" show a deeper, more meaningful side. This album doesn't make you excited, but definitely keeps your attention; a great record to play sitting outside on a nice day. This release gets 3.5 out of 5 stars, but don't think about passing up this relaxing, acoustic piece of musical art.

★★★★★

Arctic Monkeys
Favourite Worst Nightmare

The Arctic Monkeys exploded onto the music scene with their single "I Bet You Look Good on the Dance Floor," which debuted at number one on the U.K. singles chart in October 2005. Since then, the band has released their debut album, which crept into the American Top 40 charts.

Their latest album, *Favourite Worst Nightmare*, has taken off right where these Brit-punk rockers left off. They keep hard-hitting hooks, mix them with distorted vocals and top it off with their own style of breakdowns. The lead single, "Brainstorm," has blasted onto the college charts and makes room for more of this amazing album to break out. Look for them to be wowing both sides of the Atlantic for years to come.

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New facility offers expanded opportunities for fitness

MEKEA WILLIAMSON *ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR*

Seven men remained working after 5 p.m. on the 75-man project. Some men wore hard hats, some baseball caps and one wore no hat at all.

These men were putting in overtime while building the Wartburg-Waverly Sports and Wellness Center.

It won't be long before the estimated $31 million project is completed. Doors are expected to open next fall for one of the nation's largest NCAA Div. III facilities.

Jim Langel, executive director of the Wartburg-Waverly Sports and Wellness Center, said the project is on schedule and within budget. The center is scheduled to open Sept. 1. "[The schedule is] going to be tight. We have a volleyball game Sept. 4," Langel said.

Langel said the new center would have a 25-yard, six-foot-deep pool. Langel dispelled rumors that the pool is too short. He said the pool is the proper length and would be ready for competitive use.

Kendra Christensen said she likes the idea of the pool being for both Wartburg and the Waverly community.

"It will be interesting to see the correlation between the students and Waverly community," Christensen said.

Because of that partnership, the center will have a steam room and a sauna. An anonymous donor provided funds for the training room. A cold plunge pool, which is similar to a small pool, was donated so that athletes can avoid injuries after training sessions.

The fieldhouse, which will host track and have volleyball and basketball courts, is located at the 12th St. entrance. The field house has an eight-lane 200-meter indoor track.

In the performance gym, volleyball nets will suspend from the ceiling during practice and competition. Setting up poles will no longer be a part of the pre-game.

The auxiliary gym, which is east of the fieldhouse, will have a smaller walking and jogging track than the fieldhouse. It will also have a basketball court with bleachers.

Storage space for personal belongings has been considered in the plans too. Sixteen locker rooms will be available for both the athletic and the community members.

"If you look at the numbers, sixteen locker rooms sounds astronomical, but when you break down the numbers of all the athletic teams, they don't even have all their own locker rooms like some big universities," Langel said.

Hundreds of hours went into planning the center that will benefit both Wartburg students and the community. Wartburg has taken over the city recreation program.

"We want this place to be in Waverly, not just at Wartburg," Langel said.

Justin Illig said he thinks the new center will be a great place for Wartburg and the community.

"It's almost like a YMCA at Wartburg in Waverly," Illig said.

However, some community members are not sure that this new facility will be for them. Burton Boevers, a retired homeowner and volunteer at Waverly Health Center, has one concern about the new facility — the cost.

"I wonder if they will be using tax dollars to keep it going. That's my concern," Boevers said. "Otherwise I think it will be real neat."

Students are also concerned with whether the cost of the new center will be more of a burden in the long run.

"I am concerned about it being too big for a small college like Wartburg," Andy Swanson said.

Luke Shanno/*TRUMPET*

Workers prepare to put flame-retardant insulation on steel beams in the fieldhouse of the new Wellness Center.

Community members will have to pay fees, but will have a choice. They can opt for a monthly fee like at a health club, which would allow them to use any of the amenities in the center, or they can pay on a per-use basis.

Day passes will also be optional. Members will be issued ID cards for entry.

Jill Klein, manager of health promotion at the Waverly Health Promotion Center, said that some people in the community felt they did not have a choice in the decision. She also said that not all comments about the new center were negative.

"I don't see a negative," Klein said. "you can never have too many options."

Parking for community visitors also has been arranged. A gated parking lot will be available across from where visitors enter.

Klein plans to meet with Langel Thursday to discuss the details of how the new Wellness Center and the Health Promotion Center will work together.

The center will provide jobs for students and community members. Lifeguards and personal trainers will be hired.

Students who do not plan to use the Wellness Center might want to reconsider because it is included in their tuition. Langel encourages everyone to utilize the new center.

Lora Starks said she thinks the center will help the community more than Wartburg students.

However, Langel said this would be a "successful partnership" for both Wartburg and the community.

For people who are not impressed by the new physical side of the center, there is something for them as well.

The student health center will move from Old Main into the new facility. The student health center will have three exam rooms, office space for its nurses and a place for massage therapy and orthopedic care.

The center will also have a restaurant. Langel said the restaurant's menu would include health food and dishes for those not counting calories.

Several conference rooms will also be in the center, including a larger conference room in one of the castle's tower.

A 120-seat classroom will be on the second floor of the facility. The room can be divided if needed. For now it's just cement blocks and a large space waiting to be completed.

Inside the center will be a Hall of Champions. Next to the designated area for the hall is a piece of the old PEC, the cornerstone from 1948. Langel said there will be a 42-inch flat screen television on the outside of the entrance to the Hall of Champions.

During an informational session, Langel had a table set up for people who wanted to work in the new facilities. More than one hundred people contacted Langel about employment opportunities. He talked with 49 people during SOAR day on Saturday, May 12.

Ellen Hilger, a student, was all for new jobs.

"I think it offers a lot of jobs for the fitness management majors," Hilger said.

The center will employ 80 to 100 Wartburg students. High school students and retirees will also play a large part in the hiring plans for when Wartburg students are on break and during the summer. Langel also said he is holding 25 percent of positions for incoming freshmen. At least three to 10 students will be working during a day's shift.

The center has four administrative positions that include Langel's position.

Langel showed off the open space that will be his office in the center.

"Right over here is my office; it's starting to have a floor soon," Langel said, while wiping away pretend tears.

Roland Ferrie/*TRUMPET*

The new pool area sits exposed to the elements and partially filled with rain water while the walls are finished around it.

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Healthy Future In Site

Three rooms dedicated to legendary coaches

LUKE SHANNO *SPORTS EDITOR*

The Wartburg College Board of Regents recently approved the dedication of three areas in the new Wartburg-Waverly Sports and Wellness Center.

New Wellness Center executive director Jim Langel believes the dedication of the areas in the new center is a great addition to the sports legacy at Wartburg.

"I think it is great for the college, and they are great choices because they are great individuals in the history of the college," Langel said. "It is ushering in a new generation for Wartburg athletics with some of the past history."

The first athletic event scheduled for play in the new facility is the volleyball team's Sept. 4 match-up with Central, which will take place in the new Levick Arena. Game time is scheduled for 7:30.

Levick Arena

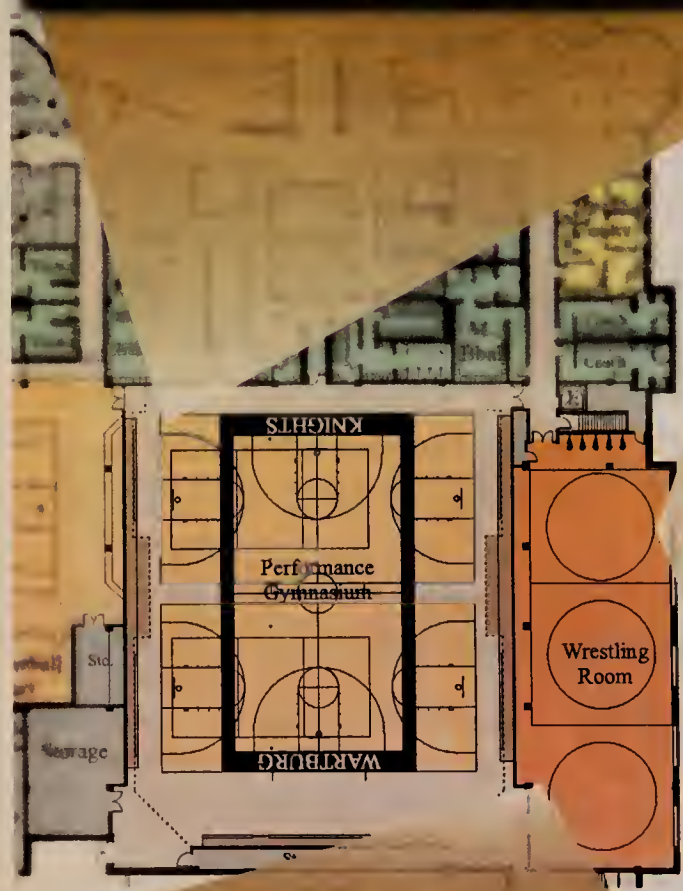
One area to be named, and arguably the centerpiece of the new Wellness Center, is Levick Arena.

The arena, the new performance gymnasium with room for around 1,700 spectators, will no longer go by the name Knights Gym.

The space will host basketball, volleyball and wrestling matches among other things, and it has been named for long-time hoops coach Lewis "Buzz" Levick.

Levick, considered among the all-time greats among NCAA Div. III and NAIA basketball coaches, led Wartburg to 14 Iowa Conference titles in his 28 seasons roaming the sidelines of Knights Gym.

The nine consecutive conference titles that Wartburg accumulated from 1966 to 1975 is still a record. Levick ended his coaching career with 13 NCAA/NAIA national tournament appearances and an overall record of 510-225. He can still be spotted at Wartburg in the stands at Knights basketball games, including at the annual men's basketball invitational held at Wartburg that also bears his name.



Canfield Strength and Conditioning Room

The Canfield Strength and Conditioning Room, located on the second floor above the wrestling room, will be the weight room in the new center dedicated for use by Wartburg student-athletes.

The strength and conditioning room retains its name from the old PEC, where it was named after Dr. Don Canfield. Canfield headed the Wartburg College football program for 19 seasons.

During Canfield's tenure on the sidelines, the Knights captured three Iowa Conference titles and an NCAA Div. III playoff berth in the 1982 season. Canfield posted 119 career victories which puts him in the top 100 all-time.

The Canfield Strength and Conditioning Room will house free-weight racks and platforms as well as plyometric areas and other equipment.

Walker Wrestling Room

Another area to be named and retain its namesake from the PEC is the Walker Wrestling Room.

Named for long-time head wrestling coach Dr. Richard (Dick) Walker, this wrestling room will house three full-size practice mats. It will have benches to accommodate visiting coaches and athletes from around the area, and there will be room for the wrestling team to have cardio equipment such as stationary bicycles in the room as well.

Walker was a three-time Iowa Conference Coach of the Year honoree. He compiled a 180-93-4 dual record in his 22-year tenure as head coach. This included a school-record 43 consecutive dual win-streak.

Walker coached four conference championship teams and 14 individual NCAA Div. III All-Americans, including Wartburg's first national champion, Dean Gavin, in 1989. Wartburg's annual home tournament also bears Walker's name.

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Game review

Super Paper Mario flips into action; Wii Play aims to impress with options

ALAN SIMMER *ASSOCIATE EDITOR*

Mario's back saving the world from certain doom in Super Paper Mario, recently released for the Nintendo Wii. The evil Count Bleck has opened a void that threatens to swallow the entire world, so players must guide Mario through a quest to locate Pure Hearts to stop him.

I very much enjoyed the changes made from Paper Mario to Paper Mario: The Thousand-Year Door, so I looked forward to exploring the new game.

The Wii remote is held horizontally, like a classic Nintendo controller for the majority of the game. There are times when it must be pointed at the screen as well to reveal secrets or gather information.

The major draw of this game is the ability to flip from 2-D into 3-D. In previous Paper Mario games, Mario has been flat but still able to move in all three dimensions.

In this incarnation, the world is equally flat, but Mario gains the ability to flip into 3-D. This lets him find hidden items and routes past otherwise impassable objects, but he can only stay flipped for a limited time before incurring damage.

Gone is the turn-based system that dates back to Super Mario RPG: Legend of the Seven Stars. It has been replaced by a real-time system where you defeat enemies by jumping on them as you meet them, much like the original Super Mario Bros.

All in all, this game feels much like that classic side-scroller, and owes much to it. The recognizable second level of the original is actually a chapter in this game, but the 3-D gameplay gives it a refreshing twist.

You can play as more characters than Mario in this one — Bowser and Princess get in on the action as well — and the secondary characters still play a large role in using their unique abilities to advance the game.

Overall, this game is fun if at times frustrating. Mario is the only character who can flip dimensions, and it's highly desirable to do this in every new screen and place to progress through the game and find hidden items. You'll spend the majority of the time playing as him because of it, even though the others offer a higher novelty factor. The other main characters have their own special abilities, but it would be far less annoying if Mario had an additional ability and the others could flip as well.

Final rating: 4 out of 5.

Wii Play doesn't make any pretenses about having an engaging storyline, but it offers some solid gameplay. The main focus of the game seems to be introducing players in as many uses of the Wii remote as possible.

The disc contains nine mini-games that unlock sequentially. The first games, like a shooting gallery, start out using the remote to point at the screen, and the later ones move on to more complicated movements of the remote with fishing, tank wars and billiards.

The replay value on this game is kept up by allowing players to earn bronze, silver and gold medals on each game. Unfortunately, it doesn't award them on the first play-through, so a perfect score on the ping-pong game is meaningless the on the initial attempt.

This game supports two-player action, allowing both parties to blast away targets or race cows against each other, although the competition wears thin quickly.

Playing this game actually made me more excited for the games still coming down the pipeline — oh, the possibilities! I can already imagine how Mario Kart on the Wii will feel to play.

This game isn't worth $50. However, Wii remotes cost $40 on their own, so this game is definitely worth $10 when that's discounted. Playing with a Wii is naturally more fun with more people, so if you're looking at getting another remote, drop the extra ten on this one.

Final rating: 3.5 out of 5.

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'Tell someone' campaign about saving lives of women

TARA LEWIN STAFF WRITER

College campuses are breeding grounds for human papilloma virus (HPV), the virus that can cause genital warts and cervical cancer. A new vaccine now offers protection against four different strains of HPV, types 6, 11, 16 and 18.

Because 80 percent of women contract some form of HPV before they turn 50 and more than 3,700 women die of cervical cancer each year in the United States alone, the vaccine's "Tell Someone" campaign is about more than just selling shots; it's about saving lives.

HPV, a sexually transmitted infection, is passed through genital or skin-to-skin contact. At least 50 percent of people who have had sex will have HPV at some time in their lives without even knowing it. HPV may go away on its own without causing any health problems.

Cervical cancer, caused by high-risk types of genital HPV, is the 11th most common cancer among women in the United States. An estimated 9,170 new cases of cervical cancer will occur in 2007, with types 16 and 18 causing roughly 70 percent of cervical cancers.

In June 2006, the Food and Drug Administration approved the vaccine Gardasil for women and girls between 9 and 26. However, many college-aged women still have not received the vaccine because insurance companies are not required to cover it.

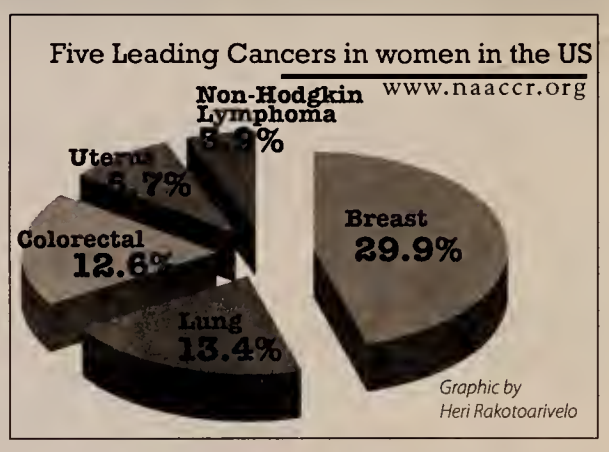
"My mom wants me to get the shot because, if it reduces the chance that I develop cancer, then it is worth it even though our insurance won't cover it," Karlee Cooper said.

Currently, the vaccination is not available at the Wartburg Health Center, nor is it covered by Wartburg's new insurance plan.

Merck, the producer of Gardasil, has priced the series of shots at $360, or $120 per dose, but most young women without insurance are paying between $500 and $600 for the series of three shots, the second and third of which are given two and six months after the first.

Gardasil, which is 95-100 percent effective, must be taken before exposure to all of the targeted types of the infection. Studies from the Centers for Disease Control have shown that the vaccine has a 100 percent success rate when administered before any sexual activity.

Gardasil may not fully protect everyone and does not prevent all types of cervical cancer, so it is important to continue regular cervical cancer screenings.



For women who do not have access to or wish not to get the vaccine, they can lower their risk of getting HPV by choosing not to have sex (abstinence); limiting the number of partners they have; choosing a partner who has had few or no other sex partners and always using a condom.

Because the shot is not mandatory for young women, Wartburg's registered nurse, Margaret Kenealy, says women must decide whether to take the vaccine.

"It's a personal decision," she said. "Women must look at their values and their lifestyles because of the implications that accompany the shot."

Whatever the implications might be, some women still choose to get the vaccine to lower their risk of cervical cancer.

"I haven't had the HPV shots yet, but I do plan on getting them," Sarah Jonak said. "There's a high occurrence of cervical cancer in my family, and if these shots will lower my chance of getting it, I'm definitely going to take that chance."

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To the Class of 2007

It has been a pleasure for us to work with you over these past few years. Each of you have very promising futures ahead of you, and we wish you personal fulfillment and professional success. Thank you for all you have contributed to enrich the life of Wartburg College and the community at large.

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Wellness associate director named

MEKEA WILLIAMSON
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The recreation and sports director from the University of Minnesota at Duluth has been appointed as the associate director for the Wartburg-Waverly Sports and Wellness Center. Justin Jackson, selected from approximately 60 applicants, will join Wartburg June 18.

According to Jim Langel, executive director of the Wellness Center, Jackson has experience working in multipurpose recreational facilities using similar business software that the Wellness Center will use. He also has experience with climbing walls, which will be a new addition to the center in fall.

"He just seems to be a good fit for Wartburg, and from speaking to his references, he is the type of person who won't rest until the job is done right," Langel said.

Langel said he has a lot to get accomplished with Jackson before the center opens.

"The policies and procedures manual for this facility will probably be close to 200 pages long and none of it is in writing," he said.

Jackson's responsibilities will include being in charge of the welcome desk and climbing wall staffs. He will also oversee the staff that will be in charge of the city recreational and intramural programs.

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Anonymous reporting system utilized

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question or concern."

Dining services had thefts in July and November; both cases remain unsolved. The college received a report about the July incident after MySafeCampus was launched in September.

The theft of $90 from the Mensa in November was reported to campus security directly.

According to Myers, the person suspected of stealing $142.50 from the Mensa in July was not a student and lived or worked near Waverly.

Myers said the report also described the person bragging to friends about stealing a computer from Information Technology Services , but no computers were missing.

MySafeCampus is a third party reporting system that allows people to anonymously communicate about illegal, improper and unethical issues on campus. One can either call 1-800-716-9007 or go to www.mysafecampus.com to report a complaint.

The system sends the report to a core group of campus personnel including Myers and Grace.

The estimated cost for using MySafeCampus is $2500 to $5000 per year, but Grace says it could be higher for Wartburg. Wartburg's insurance carrier, Cincinnati Insurance, recommended and will pay for the system.

According to Grace, many schools are using MySafeCampus. He said about half of the 28 schools in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America use MySafeCampus.

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Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

Grilling away

Mara Groom makes hamburgers last Thursday as part of the Grossman/Lohe May Term cookout.

Student applies to Peace Corps

Student hopes to work with HIV infected

SARAH MOON *STAFF WRITER*

A Wartburg senior has been nominated to the Peace Corps for HIV/AIDS education in the Sub-Saharan Region of Africa.

Melissa Fox was nominated to attend the Peace Corps after submitting her application.

Fox thought about applying to the Peace Corps in her sophomore year of high school after visiting the Web site. However, Fox did not apply right away.

Not until her senior year at Wartburg did Fox reconsider her future plans. Last November she decided to apply to the Peace Corps because she felt it was the ideal time.

"I thought it would be a really neat thing to do," Fox said.

Applications for the Peace Corps are either completed online or a paper copy is mailed.

"The application is somewhat intense," Fox said. "It's 13 pages or so."

After submitting the necessary paperwork, applicants are interviewed. A recruiter then decides who should be nominated and for what programs. Programs include agriculture, education, health and community development.

Once applicants have been nominated, they undergo medical exams and get fingerprinted. Fox is currently waiting for medical clearance and hopes to hear the final decision by June.

"I'm just going to be patient and flexible like the Peace Corps tell you to," Fox said.

If accepted, Fox will spend three months in her chosen country with a host family. Fox will then live in the country for two years and complete her volunteer service.

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WTV hands out annual sports awards

Coaches nominate, students vote for 2006-07 Golden Knight Awards

JOSH URBAN *GUEST WRITER*

This year marked the eighth anniversary of the Golden Knight Awards at Wartburg. The award ceremony is an annual event put on by the Wartburg Television staff to further acknowledge the accomplishments of Wartburg athletes.

Similar to the ESPN Espy awards, there are nine categories including male/female athlete of the year, best play and best overall performance.

The Golden Knight nominees are selected by the coaches and are then voted on by the students.

In addition, four other awards are given for outstanding achievements in Wartburg athletics.

The Vecks Athletic award is presented to a male athlete for his outstanding performance in the classroom and on the playing field. This year's male recipient was senior soccer player Jon Hinke. Upon receiving his award, Hinke let the audience know he couldn't have done it without his coach or teammates.

"At the end of the day, the coaches and teammates are who you have to do it for. They made it easy and fun," Hinke said.

The Chellevold Award goes to a female student athlete who has excelled on and off the playing field. Senior softball player Stephanie Howe was this year's recipient. Howe also said she couldn't thank her coaches or teammates enough.

Also presented was the Hertel Athletic Award, which is given to a male and a female student athlete who have received a varsity letter in two sports and have exhibited tremendous leadership. The male recipient was senior track runner and cross-country captain Kevin Balster. The female winner was junior softball and volleyball player Ashley Steines.

The final annual award is the Lifetime Knight Award, which was presented by Randall Shroeder. This award goes to a person who has shown undying dedication for Wartburg athletics and receives this honor to be forever known as a Wartburg Knight. Originally named the Shroeder Lifetime Award, it has now become an annual tradition to dub someone a lifetime Knight. This year's winner and Lifetime Knight was Jill Gremmels. Although she will be transferring to Davidson University next year, she will always remain orange.

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Roland Ferrie/Trumpet
Heidi Porter accepts her female athlete of year award.

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Golden Knight Awards '07

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Steph Howe

MALE SENIOR STUDENT ATHLETE
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Ashley Steines

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Kevin Balster

LIFETIME KNIGHT AWARD
Jill Gremmels

FEMALE FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR
Hannah Baker

MALE FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR
Mitch Eslick

FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
Heidi Porter

MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
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Men's Soccer

BREAKTHROUGH ATHLETES
Luke McClyman
Kelsey Steffens

PLAY OF THE YEAR
Men's Soccer

PERFORMANCE OF THE YEAR
Men's Soccer

Knights in hunt for championship

Women to compete in 10 events at NCAA Div. III meet

ADAM HARRINGA *STAFF WRITER*

Five months ago Wartburg track and field Head Coach Marcus Newsom made the bold prediction that his women's team would be competing for a national championship this spring. Since then, his team has shown vast improvement from some of its most talented athletes. And now, with only a few days until the first day of national track competition, Wartburg is in position to earn their second national title in three years.

"It is a not secret," Newsom said. "I've said all year that combining this talented freshmen class with a senior class that has national championship experience would put us in position to win [a national title]."

Roland Ferrie/Trumpet
Emily VanOosbree races past a Luther runner at a home meet. VanOosbree qualified for nationals in the 1500.

Leading the way for the women are senior 800-meter runner Heidi Porter and freshman 400 runner Hannah Baker. Porter is a three-time All-American in the 800, and is now in position to be crowned an individual national champion for the first time. By setting a personal best of over three seconds in the 800 (2:08.41), Porter has broken a 24-year-old school record, leads the nation with an automatic national qualifying time, and is fourth all-time in NCAA Div. III history.

"Her goal all year has been to win a national title," Newsom said, "and she's in perfect position to do that."

Hannah Baker will also be contending for a national title. Baker, in her first year at Wartburg, broke the school record in the 400 and leads the nation with a time of 54.56 seconds, which is also eighth all-time in Division III history.

"[Baker] has the ability and talent, but I just want her to handle this like it's any other meet," Newsom said.

The Knights also have a slew of runners in the 400 fighting for a chance to do something for the first time in Wartburg's storied track history: win an indoor or outdoor 4x400 relay title. Nine different runners this year have competed on a 4x400 team that has at least provisionally qualified for the national meet, and their top performance (3:45.40) leads the nation. The Knights are lead by Baker, 10-time All-American Bridget Burns and freshman Chelsey Jacobs, who are all also competing in the open 400.

The Knights are also looking for a top eight finish from 100-meter hurdler Lucy Joseph and 400 hurdler Rachel Brincks. Joseph qualified with the fifth-fastest time and Brincks, who placed fifth last year, is sixth on the list. Also competing are Jessica Bates in the shot put and hammer throw, Maggie McGrew in the hammer, Emily VanOosbree (1,500), Jill Wagaman (10,000) and a 4x100 team of Burns, Joseph, Jenny Kordick and Kelsey Steffens. Points from any of these events would be extremely helpful for the Knights.

"With all this potential, we have yet to max out," Newsom said, "and that's the exciting part."

Going into the 4x400 (the last event) in the 2005 national championship, Wartburg was tied for second and five points behind the leader. Burns anchored that team to a third place finish, securing a one-point victory for the national title. This time, if the Knights are to contend for another championship, it will most likely again come down to the 4x400.

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Runners have two extra chances at nationals

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qualified as he led the steeplechasers from Wartburg to a first, fourth and sixth-place finish. Brian Chenoweth won the 5,000 for the Knights.

Brian Schmitt came in second in the 400 and had a fast enough time to qualify him for the national meet. Peters also qualified as he finished third in the decathlon.

Brian Chenoweth

The runners also participated in a last-chance meet to give them one last attempt to qualify for nationals. One of the meets was in Naperville, Ill., while the other was in Rock Island, Ill.

In Naperville, Johnson turned in a great performance in the steeplechase where he won and recorded the third-fastest time in the nation. This time helped him automatically qualify for nationals.

Chenoweth also qualified after placing sixth in the 5,000. Porter and Jill Wagaman also won their events in Naperville. Porter ran the fastest time in the nation in the 800 and Wagaman recorded the 14th-fastest 10,000 time for a Div. III runner.

At Rock Island, the 4x400 team qualified with the third-fastest time in the country. Rachel Brincks also qualified in the 400 hurdles.

Both teams ran away with the championships and qualified numerous runners for the national meet. The Div. III National Meet will be held in Oshkosh, Wisc., May 24-26.

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Clemens back in pinstripes

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many younger pitchers cannot match his workout regimen. He keeps himself in shape year around so he can pitch well and win games.

Clemens' knowledge of the game will be a valuable tool for teaching young future pitching stars of the Yankees.

Of course, how much Clemens will truly mean to the Yankees is yet to be determined.

But he has certainly made the avid baseball fan sit up and take notice. One thing is certain: When something big comes along involving the Yankees, there is very little gray area.

Fans either love or hate the Yankees with little Middle ground. Whatever the outcome may be, Clemens has given baseball fans something to look forward to.

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Knights finish second at regional

Wartburg knocks off No. 1 seed en route to finals

ANDREW NOSTVICK
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After a back-and-forth battle, the Knights fell short against Washington University (Mo.) in the regional final of the NCAA Div. III Softball Championship by a final of 2-0 at Luther College Sunday, May 13.

Ali Hartzler led all Knight hitters by going two for three. Stephanie Howe, Ashley Rogers, Courtney Bain and Ashley Orris each recorded a hit in the game.

It was a close game until late when Washington University scored two runs to put them over the top.

The Knights kicked off the regional tournament, held at Luther College in Decorah, with an 8-2 loss to UW-Stevens Point.

Hartzler picked up the only runs for the Knights as she hit a two-run homer in the sixth inning.

Head Coach Kara Kehe remained optimistic despite the loss in the first game of the tournament.

"It is tough to be in the loser's bracket, but we tried to take the mentality of one game at a time," Kehe said. "Once you get things rolling, they can go pretty well."

After the loss, the Knights took on Webster University in the loser's bracket Friday, May 11.

Wartburg defeated Webster 10-2 led by the efforts of Ashley Steines, who went three for four, with four runs, three RBIs and a triple.

The Knights then closed out that Friday with a victory over Gustavus Adolphus, 8-1.

Howe went three for four with an RBI and a double.

Saturday, the Knights took down conference foe Luther College 15-5, led by a four for four, five RBI performance by Howe.

"Steph has been so consistently strong in tournament games," Kehe said.

The win came against Luther's home field advantage for the regional tournament.

"We wanted to play our best, regardless of the setting," Kehe said.

The Knights completed Saturday by edging out regional No. 1 seed St. Thomas (Minn.) 3-2, advancing them to the finals.

Freshman standout Robin Peterson went two for three with a run scored, while Steines went two for four, with two RBIs.

Even though the Knights fell short in the championship, they proved tough in the tournament and had five players make the All-Tournament Team.

Howe, Hartzler, Bain, Orris and Steines earned all-tournament team honors.

The Knights finished the year 31-8, their fourth straight 30-win season. The Wartburg squad also took home their second-consecutive IIAC tournament title.

"This was a team that improved a great deal. For me as a coach, it's great to see such strides over a three- or four-month period," Kehe said.

The Knights saw three players earn First Team All-Conference: sophomore pitcher Angela Hartwig, Howe and Steines.

Howe also earned first-team in the Midwest region while Hartwig garnered second-team all-Midwest honors.

Next season, the Knights will have a big spot to fill as lone senior Howe leaves the Knights' infield line-up.

"We're going to miss Steph tremendously," Kehe said.

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Courtesy Photo

Ashley Rogers runs to close play at first base during regional tournament action.

Tennis takes fourth at IIAC Championships

ANDREW NOSTVICK *STAFF WRITER*

After a long season of ups and downs, the Wartburg Knights men's tennis team finished fourth at the Iowa Conference championship April 26-28 in Cedar Rapids.

The Knights defeated Loras College 5-1 in their opening match of the tournament. The Knights saw victories from Mitch Eslick, Tylor Schlader, Tom Koenen and Pat Mullen in their victory over the Duhawks.

The Knights were then shut out by top-seeded Luther College in the quarterfinals, 5-0, putting the young tennis squad in the consolation match.

The Knights fell short in a close battle with the Dutch of Central College, losing the third-place match 5-4.

The squad saw singles victories from Eslick, Schlader and Koenen. The Knights also scored a doubles victory when the duo of Andrew Kahler and Abhi Nadipuran scored the only victory.

Eslick was the only Knight to reach the quarterfinals of the Iowa Conference Individual Tournament.

The Knights finished the regular season seventh in the conference, with a 6-12 overall record and a 2-3 record in the IIAC.

Despite the record, the Knights picked up key regular season conference wins against Loras and Simpson.

For his efforts, Eslick, a freshman, earned First-Team All-Conference in the Iowa Conference. Eslick had a 10-8 record and a 2-3 record in the IIAC.

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Golfer to take over assistant coaching position in the fall

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The Knights took seventh place at the national tournament in 2005 followed by a fourth-place finish and the program's first tournament trophy at the conclusion of the 2006 tournament.

Just because the team wasn't there didn't mean Schiltz didn't have people cheering her on. Support was flowing in throughout the week for Schiltz from members of the current team as well as past Knight golfers and her fiancé, former men's golf standout Kevin Ault, in the form of text messages, phone calls and Facebook messages.

Schiltz found support on the edge of the fairway as well as from miles away as her dad and Head Coach Oliver Drake were watching every shot.

"My dad is a huge golfer. He has supported me for 22 years, and he has been teaching me. He is a father, friend and coach. It was very special to have him there," Schiltz said.

The national tournament will have a change in scenery next year as the 2008 version of the NCAA Div. III National Championships will be held in Waverly and hosted by Wartburg College and Centennial Oaks Golf Club.

Although missing out on a national tournament appearance on her home course by one year, Schiltz is excited and sees great possibilities with the '08 championship.

"This is going to be a great thing for Wartburg and Waverly," Schiltz said. "This is a great way to show our athletic programs and show that Iowa can host this type of event."

Schiltz ends her collegiate golf career on a high note, but doesn't plan to stray far from her Wartburg golfing roots.

After graduation, Schiltz will become the new marketing director for State Bank and Trust in Waverly, and she will step into the position of assistant women's golf coach at Wartburg next fall for current Assistant Coach Monica Severson.

Severson will be replacing outgoing current Head Coach Oliver Drake.

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Courtesy Photo

Andrea Schiltz putts at the national tourney in Florida.

Team falls short in IIAC Tourney

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The Wartburg baseball team went into the season with 10 straight Iowa Conference titles and came out with 11.

History and 11 straight conference titles alone won't guarantee a win against Luther though.

The Knights took their regular season conference title split with the Norse into a No. 1 seed at the Iowa Conference tournament May 10-12 at Veteran's Memorial Stadium in Cedar Rapids.

After a first round bye, Wartburg took on No. 5-seed Buena Vista. The Knights topped the Beavers by a score of 12-2 in eight innings.

In their second tournament game, the Knights fell to Luther 10-6, sending them into the loser's bracket for the remainder of the tournament.

In the loser's bracket, the Wartburg squad beat Simpson 8-3, propelling the Knights into the championship game against the co-conference champion Norse.

The Knights fell to Luther 11-8 in the championship game, ending the season at 28-13, including a 14-1 road record.

"It didn't matter who the team was," outfielder Kyle Jones said. "When we went to their place, we tried to embarrass them and just play the game like we know how."

The season provided good experiences and prepared the Knights for a run toward their 12th straight IIAC title.

After a doubleheader sweep at the Metrodome against St. Mary's (Minn.), the Knights went on the road to Arizona and brought a 4-4 record home with them. Despite the modest start, Jones believes the trip helped them get ready to compete early in the season.

Wartburg loses seven seniors from this year's team, including four of the team's top five hitters, but top pitchers Luke Albert, Billy Schmitt, Danny Rose, and Aaron Saeugling are all set to return.

Luke Shanno/*TRUMPET*

Ryan Grant slides into home for a run at Hertel Field.

"We should still have a solid core of guys returning that can get the job done," infielder Mike Johnson said. "I think we will also have some guys step up and do a good job for us."

Those seven seniors, Jones says, have meant a great deal to the team, but he expects success next year too.

"They were great leaders on the field and fun to hang around with off the field," Jones said. "We will have some new people coming in next year to take their places, so we should be just as good next year."

As for this year's expectations, Johnson says the team fell short despite some lofty goals.

"I expected a national championship at the start of the season, so I guess we didn't live up to that," Johnson said. "But no team should ever think anything lower [than a

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Conference Champs

Baseball slides into 11th -straight IIAC title

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Track sweeps conference meet

Women take eighth-straight title; men defend their IIAC title

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The Wartburg track and field team traveled to Indianola to defend their IIAC Outdoor Championship titles May 11-12.

The women claimed their eighth-straight championship trophy after winning the meet by 118 points. The Knights finished with 267 points while second-place Loras finished with 149.

Hannah Baker finished her freshman season with a strong meet as she qualified for the national meet in the 400. Her winning time of 54.56 seconds is the best in the nation this season and eighth all-time in NCAA Div. III history.

Her time also broke the school record, the IIAC meet record and the IIAC record. Baker also qualified for nationals in the 200.

Teammate Heidi Porter also qualified for nationals and set an IIAC meet record by winning the 800. Porter also qualified after winning the 1500.

Lucy Joseph won the 100 hurdles, while teammate Rachel Brincks won the 400 hurdles and both qualified for nationals. The 4x100 relay team also won and qualified for nationals.

In the 400, Wartburg finished in first, second, third and fifth. Baker won followed by Bridget Burns and Chelsey Jacobs who both qualified for nationals.

Burns also qualified in the 200, while Steph Arey qualified for nationals with her second-place finish in the 400 hurdles.

Wartburg almost swept the 1,500 as they finished in first, second, third and fifth and took the top three spots in the 800.

The men's meet was supposed to be a close one after Loras upset the Knights by four points at the indoor championships, but the Knights ran away with the meet.

Wartburg won with 213.83 points while Loras finished with 138.50 points.

"As a team, we were very focused on what we had to do to bring back our trophy," captain Danny Corken said. "We treated this conference meet like any other one, except we really stressed the importance of extra effort and not giving up any event. Only losing by four points at indoor really made us understand the importance of each point."

The Knights saw two outstanding performances from Michael Dana and Karl Vogel. Dana was competing in the triple jump against Geoff Kaiser of Loras, an All-American, and beat him on his last jump, helping him qualify for nationals.

Vogel won the high jump and qualified for nationals while teammate Kyle Peters finished in second.

Patrick Johnson won the steeplechase and also

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Luke Shanno/*TRUMPET*
Steven Salinas, left, and Russell Harris run in the 110 meter hurdles at the Luther Dual.

Schiltz takes golf game to nationals

LUKE SHANNO *SPORTS EDITOR*

Wartburg women's golfer Andrea Schiltz successfully cemented her place in the Wartburg women's golf program and the NCAA Div. III national golf championships with her tied-for-15th place finish at the 2007 national tournament earlier this month.

Schiltz, a native of Algona and a four-year starter for the Knights, made her third consecutive trip to the Div. III national championships played out over four days at the El Campeon Golf Course at the Mission Inn Resort and Club in Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla., May 8-11.

"I was really excited to go," Schiltz said. "I knew my purpose for being down there was to represent Wartburg, Waverly and Algona."

Her main goal for the tournament was simple. "I wanted to take my consistency into the tournament."

Schiltz tallied a four-day total of 324, highlighted by a third-round score of 3-over par 76, to place her in the top fifteen. The 32-over par total left her four strokes back of cracking the top ten but showed her consistency.

"The first day through the fourth day I had the same swing," Schiltz said.

An opening round 83 followed by a day-two 84 left Schiltz a little further back in the pack than she would have liked, but a practice session that lasted over an hour after her second round paid dividends for the veteran on day three.

Her 76 on day three was in the top ten low scores for the day among the over 100 golfers in attendance at the national tournament.

The 15th place finish equals her 2006 finish at the Div. III championships held at the same site. Although shooting a lower score, but not improving on last year's overall finish, Schiltz feels strongly about her finish as the size of the field almost doubled from around 50-60 competitors last year.

Her second 15th place individual finish was bittersweet as the 2007 championship marked the first time in the past three trips to nationals in which the Knights squad didn't qualify as a team.

"I was really thinking the team would get to go. Our record wasn't as good as Gustavus and DePauw...I had mixed emotions without the rest of the team going."

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FROM THE BULLPEN

Rocket returns to NY for better or worse

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Recently Roger Clemens, "the Rocket," made public announcement about his intention to return to the New York Yankees. The business of this was all very sneaky. Even Clemens admits to not knowing the final decision until the day he walked into Yankee Stadium and told the fans "we'll be seeing you real soon."

The Yankees, who are hounded and followed by the press like no other team in sports, somehow managed to keep this secret until Clemens himself appeared in the owner's box at Yankee Stadium for the announcement.

Now that the decision is made, the question becomes: Just how much help will he provide to the Yankees? This creates an open debate that baseball fans can enjoy no matter on which side of the issue they stand.

At this moment, the Yankees' pitching staff can't get any worse. Many of their "all-star" pitchers have been shelved with injuries.

Starters Chien-Ming Wang and Mike Mussina have been disabled because of hamstring issues which have plagued the Yankees this year. Another pitcher, Jeff Karstens, broke his fibula when he was hit with a batted ball.

The Yankees set a dubious major league record by starting "rookie" pitchers ten times in their first 30 games.

So, adding "the Rocket" to the staff can't hurt them, or can it? That answer depends on which Clemens will show.

If it is the player who is arguably one of the best pitchers of all time, then it will be a great signing for the Yankees.

Clemens has amassed 348 wins,, which is eighth all time and 4,604 strikeouts, second all time. Last season, he struck out 102 batters and walked only 29 in 113 innings and recorded a miniscule 2.30 earned run average.

If he duplicates those numbers, he will win far more than the seven games he won for the Astros last year as the Yankees will provide score more runs for Clemens.

His presence alone in the clubhouse will lift the team's sprit.

Yankee fans will expect great things from him, and if "the Rocket" arrives, he will deliver.

On the other hand, will it be a 44-year-old pitcher feeling the effects of father-time on his pitching abilities? Admittedly, Clemens himself doesn't know how long his body will be able to hold up under the intense rigors it takes to perform at the major league level.

Clemens will turn 45 in August. Two years ago, he had hamstring problems so bad that he could hardly pitch in the World Series, the greatest stage baseball has to offer. Clemens, who has always been one to "answer the bell" in these situations, was not able to pitch because of his age.

My money is on "the Rocket."

He has been extremely disciplined

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Baseball	Softball	Men's Tennis	Outdoor Track
28-13 Overall Record 18-5 IIAC	31-8 Overall Record 8-4 IIAC	6-12 Overall Record 2-3 IIAC	National Qualifying Athletes Men- 8 (5 events) Women-19 (10 events)